

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claim 1. (Currently amended) A method for enhancing the weight gain physical growth of preterm infants comprising administering to said infants a weight gain physical growth enhancing amount of DHA and ARA, wherein the weight gain physical growth enhancing amount comprises DHA in an amount of at least about 10 mg/100 kcal and ARA in an amount of at least about 30 mg/100 kcal, wherein the DHA and ARA are added into nutritional products or nutritional supplements for preterm infants.

Claim 2. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 1 wherein the DHA and ARA are supplemented into preterm infant formula.

Claim 3. (Original) The method of Claim 1 wherein the ratio of ARA:DHA is 1:2 to 5:1.

Claim 4. (Original) The method of Claim 1 wherein the ratio of ARA:DHA is 1:1 to 3:1.

Claim 5. (Original) The method of Claim 1 wherein the ratio of ARA:DHA is about 2:1.

Claims 6-20. (Canceled)

Claim 21. (Currently amended) The method according to Claim 1 wherein the weight gain physical growth enhancing amount comprises DHA in an amount of from about 10 mg/100 kcal to about 50 mg/100 kcal and ARA in an amount of from about 30 mg/100 kcal to about 100 mg/100 kcal.

Claim 22. (cancelled)